

Close Out of Emerging Renewables Program (Small Wind and Fuel Cell Incentives) FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

• Why is the Emerging Renewables Program closing?

Through the passage of Senate Bill 1018 and pursuant to the Budget Act of 2012, the Energy Commission is required to close out the award of incentives provided for small wind turbines and fuel cell technologies through the Emerging Renewables Program. A copy of Senate Bill 1018 is available online at:

http://www.leginfo.ca.gov/pub/11-12/bill/sen/sb 1001-1050/sb 1018 bill 20120627 chaptered.pdf

• What is happening to the remaining wind funds?

Funding previously earmarked for the Emerging Renewables Program that is not utilized for this program in accordance with Senate Bill 1018 will remain in the Renewable Resources Trust Fund and will be available for use as specified in the law.

What happens if my application was approved?

Applications for the Emerging Renewables Program that were approved for a reservation prior to June 27, 2012, will be processed. Applicants whose rebate request applications were approved prior to June 27, 2012, should have received a CEC-1038 R2 Payment Claim Form in the mail to confirm that funding has been reserved for their installation.

What happens if my application has not been approved yet?
 Applications received prior to June 27, 2012, but not approved, will not be processed.

Can I submit a new application for wind or fuel cells?

The Energy Commission is no longer accepting new rebate reservation applications for systems using small wind turbines or renewable fuel cells. If you submit a new application, it will not be reviewed and may be returned to you.

• Where can I get funding now that this program is closed?

The Energy Commission is aware of stakeholder interest to continue funding for small wind turbines and renewable fuel cell systems and is exploring options with the California Public Utilities Commission.

You may be eligible for the Residential Renewable Energy Federal Tax Credit. More information is available online at:

http://dsireusa.org/incentives/incentive.cfm?Incentive Code=US37F&re=1&ee=1

I still have questions. Who can I contact?

Please contact the Renewables Hotline at (800) 555-7794, or by e-mail at [renewable@energy.ca.gov].